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DE 77 17 997 U1, and family member U.S. Patent No. 4,249,587, which is cited in the specification beginning at page 1, line 9;

DE 199 09 648 A1, accompanied by an English language abstract and family member U.S. Patent No. 6,568,446, which is cited in the specification beginning at page 1, line 9;

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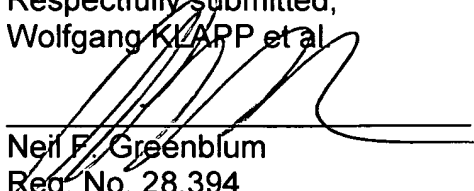
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Respectfully submitted,  
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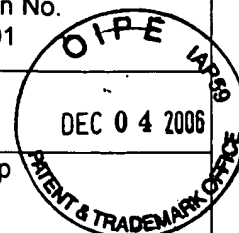
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